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REMARKS

Claims 129-200 are pending in the application, with claims 129-136 being independent. Claims 1-11 were previously canceled. By this amendment, claims 12-128 have been canceled and claims 129-138, 145, 146, 153, 154, 161, 162 and 177-184 have been amended. Claims 129-132 have been amended to clarify that the dopant is included only in a portion of the light emitting region, and claims 133-136 have been amended to clarify that the dopant is included only in a central portion of the light emitting region, as set forth in the application at, for example, page 16, line 6. In addition, claims 129, 131, 133 and 135 have been amended to include features similar to features recited in claim 130, 132, 134 and 136 respectively. Claims 132 and 136 have been amended to recited that the light emitting region includes a host to the dopant, as set forth in the application at, for example, page 28, line 20. Claims 137, 138, 145, 146, 153, 154, 161 and 162 have been amended to recite that at least one electrode is light-transmissive, as set forth in the application at, for example, page 21, lines 22-28. Claims 177-184 have been amended to correct typographical errors. No new matter has been introduced.

Claims 177-184 have been amended in view of the Examiner's objections. In particular, the term "porpherin" in claims 177-184 has been changed to "porphyrin" to correct the spelling.

Claims 129-200 have been rejected as being anticipated by Aziz (U.S. 2002/0145380). Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection because Aziz does not describe or suggest including a dopant only in a portion of the light emitting region, as recited in claims 129-132, or only in a central portion of the light emitting region, as recited in claims 133-136. In particular, while Aziz, at paragraph [0045], describes using an organic luminescent material as a dopant, Aziz nowhere describes or suggests including the organic luminescent material in only a portion, or only a central portion, of the light emitting region.

Further, claims 129-138, 145, 146, 153, 154, 161 and 162 have been amended. With respect to claims 129 and 133, "an anode and a cathode" has been changed to "a first electrode and a second electrode." With respect to claims 133-136, "an intermediate region' has been changed to "a central part," which is supported by page 16, line 6, for example. With respect to claims 132 and 136, Applicants added a new limitation "host," which is supported by page 28,

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line 20, for example. Finally, claims 137, 138, 145, 146, 153, 154, 161 and 162 have been

changed to add the feature of "one of the first electrode and the second electrode is light-transmissive," supported by page 21, lines 22-28, for example.

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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